

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Craig H. Barratt et al.

Application No.: 10/760,024

Art Unit.: 2619

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Examiner: Hicham B. Foud

For: "Apparatus And Method For Transmission Collision Avoidance"

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2. **STATUS:** Applicant is other than a small entity.
3. **EXTENSION OF TERM:** The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
4. **FEE FOR CLAIMS:** The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col.1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	LARGE ENTITY		
Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee	
Total 4 Minus	47	= 0	x \$50 =	\$0	
Indep. 3 Minus	7	= 0	x \$210 =	\$0	
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			+ \$370 =	\$0	
			Total Addit. Fee	\$0	

No additional fee for claims is required.

5. **FEE DEFICIENCY:** If any additional extension and/or fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0574 (Docket No. ATH-0116).

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Initial Comments:

This response addresses the status of Claims 50, 53, 57, and 61. Figure 2 is objected to. The abstract is objected to. Claims 50, 53, 57, and 61 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being rendered obvious over U.S. Patent 6,963,549 (Jayaraman) in view of U.S. Patent 7,206,320 (Iwamura) and JP 11261518 (JP518).  
No claims are amended herein.